# **AGENCY STRATEGIC PLAN**

## FOR THE FISCAL YEARS

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ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

**FUNCTIONAL AREA: EDUCATION** 

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Arkansas School for the Blind (ASB)				
Agency Mission Statement:				
To provide quality educational programs and resources for young people who are blind and visually impaired, which will enable them to become productive, self-sufficient citizens.				

## **AGENCY GOAL 1:**

To provide young Arkansans who are blind or visually impaired with the knowledge and skills to maximize self-sufficiency.

Agency Name		Arkansas School for the Blind			
Program		School for the Blind			
Program Authorization		6-43-101 et seq.			
Program Definition:  Program Funds-Center Code: 0510P01		ASB operates under the direction of the Department of Education and provides a variety of educational programs within the state's prescribed continuum of services for students 0 through the age of 21. The regular on-campus programming provides academic and vocational training, independent and residential living training and extra-curricular activities. ASB coordinates a statewide program which identifies and provides services to visually impaired students in public schools. ASB is			
AGENCY GOAL(S) #	1	viewed as the Statewide Resource Center for the blind and visually impaired.			
Anticipated Funding Sources for the Program:		General Revenue, Federal Funds, Cash			

#### GOAL 1:

ASB will provide blind and visually impaired students in the State of Arkansas, age 6 to 21, with opportunities to obtain a comprehensive education through access to appropriate curricula and services based upon each student's diverse needs and abilities.

### **OBJECTIVE 1: (Sub-Funds Center Code To be assigned by DFA – Accounting)**

ASB will provide an on-going individual education plan (IEP) to assure that each student enrolled in an instructional program can be competitive in the job market.

#### STRATEGY 1:

ASB will provide necessary materials, supplies, equipment and adequate certified staff necessary to provide an educational program for the blind and visually impaired.

#### STRATEGY 2:

ASB will provide necessary support services to achieve the objective.

#### GOAL 2:

ASB will provide housing, centrally located within the State of Arkansas to accommodate a residential program for blind and visually impaired students.

#### **OBJECTIVE 1:**

ASB will operate a residential program for all blind and visually impaired students within the state of Arkansas who meet the criteria for residential housing.

#### STRATEGY 1:

ASB will provide necessary materials, supplies, equipment and qualified staff (dormitories, food service, health service, maintenance) to operate a residential facility.

#### GOAL 3:

ASB will serve as the State Resource Center in helping meet the needs of visually impaired students, age 0 to 21, who are either enrolled in public school or are not old enough to attend school.

#### **OBJECTIVE 1:**

ASB will provide assistance and advice to public schools in meeting the educational requirements of all visually impaired students, age 6 to 21, enrolled in public schools.

#### STRATEGY 1:

ASB will provide necessary materials, supplies, equipment and adequate certified staff through its campus outreach program to assist and advise public schools in meeting the educational needs of visually impaired students.

#### **OBJECTIVE 2:**

ASB will assist and advise all identified parents of children living in Arkansas, age 0 to 5, of educational opportunities available to their children.

#### STRATEGY 1:

ASB will provide necessary materials, supplies, equipment and adequate certified staff through its pre-school early intervention program to inform all parents with visually impaired children living in Arkansas, age 0 to 5, of options available to their children.

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Program	School for the Blind		

## PERFORMANCE MEASURES: (Effort, Output, Outcome, and/or Efficiency)

DESCRIPTION	METHODS AND SOURCES USED OBTAINING DATA	FISCAL YEAR 2005	FISCAL YEAR 2006	FISCAL YEAR 2007	FISCAL YEAR 2008	FISCAL YEAR 2009
To meet all student based educational accreditation standards required by the AR Department of Education correcting all exceptions with a failure rate of "0" within established timeframes as determined by the Department of Education.  Goal 1, Objective 1	AR Public School Computer Network (APSCN), Annual Accreditation Status Report required by the Department of Education.	0	0	0	0	0
The home life department will receive satisfactory marks in customer services approval ratings including, but not limited to maintenance of a clean, safe dorm atmosphere for students as measured by % of satisfied respondents.  Goal 2, Objective 1	Parent/guardian and student survey forms designed to secure service opinions.	88%	91%	93%	93%	93%
To assure that all valid customer exceptions related to the delivery of educational services to students in public schools/ASB are addressed with guidelines established by ASB within appropriate timeframes with a 100% address rate of valid exceptions. <i>Goal 3, Objective 1</i>	Customer Exception Logs as maintained by ASB Outreach Program.	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Parents of all identified visually impaired children will be provided information designed to enhance the child's preparation for kindergarten with a 100% rate of parental contact.  Goal 3, Objective 2	Child Find Program Log Book	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%